## DECISION



## THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20540

FILE: B-187760

DATE: November 15, 1976

MATTER OF: Alexandria Armature Works

DIGEST:

Protest filed 5 months after protester became aware of grounds for protest is untimely under General Accounting Office Bid Frotest Procedures and will not be considered.

Alexandria Armature Works protests the award of a General Services Administration, Federal Supply Service (Region 3) contract for the repair of motors, generators, motor generator sets, etc., for the period June 1, 1976 to May 31, 1977.

The protest was filed on November 3, 1976, or some 5 months after the effective date of the contract and the time the protester received a copy of the awarded price schedule, on which the protest is based. Our Bid Protest Procedures, 4 C.F.R. Part 20 (1976), require that protests be filed not more than 10 days after the protester learns of the basis of the protest. 4 C.F.R. 20.2(b)(2). The filing of the protest is therefore untimely, and will not be considered on the merits.

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